

REMARKS

The 26 claims now pending are claims 26-51 (including 4 independent claims).

This advance amendment is submitted to expedite prosecution.

The specification has been amended editorially and to indicate that this application is a division of copending parent application Serial No. 09/871,539.

Original claims 1-25 have been replaced by new claims 26-51 directed to a colored thermoplastic molding resin composition (claims 26-31), akin to claim 25, non-elected in said parent application, and to the corresponding molded resin product (claims 32-38), and to methods of providing such molding resin composition (claims 39-44) and such molded resin product (claims 45-51); cf. especially spec., p. 4, lines 1-10; p. 7, lines 1-7; p. 21, lines 1-5 and 14-17; p. 22, lines 15-17; p. 23, lines 3-6; p. 24, line 12, to p. 26, line 6; and Exs. 5-7.

Consideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

Favorable action is most earnestly solicited.

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